

Integrated Community Equipment Service (ICES)

Core Business Document

The Integrated Community Equipment Service (ICES) commenced in 2004 and is funded by the Local Authority and Derbyshire County PCT through a pooled budget arrangement. The service has the responsibility to provide equipment as defined in the catalogue and all areas of provision outside of this cannot be accessed from the pooled budget arrangement. Prescribers should seek advice from their manager regarding alternative funding arrangements for products that are not within the core responsibility of ICES.

Please do not seek advice on Core Business from Medequip, as this is not their responsibility

Who do we provide to?

- Service Users who reside within Derbyshire boundary – refer to postcode checker <http://local.direct.gov.uk/LDGRedirect/Start.do?mode=1>
 - Service users who reside in their own dwelling
 - For provision to care homes both nursing and non-nursing – refer to Provision of Equipment for Care Homes document
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What is provided by ICES?

Refer to the detailed list of products within the Service Manual. Alternative products within these categories can be procured to meet a clinical need. All non-contract products both new and refurb over £500 should be referred to Non-Contract Equipment Panel. .

Who/When do we **not provide?**

- Relocation of equipment from a community dwelling to a care home – refer to Provision of Equipment for Care Homes document
 - DMHT core houses
 - Hospital settings i.e. ward/day centre use – equipment can be purchased from Medequip on a retail basis
 - For demonstration purposes – local budgets are responsible for funding. Products can often be accessed via manufacturers or can be purchased from Medequip on a retail basis
 - DCC HOP's and Day Centres – these premises have their own budgets
 - Equipment provision for service users treated in Independent Treatment Centres
 - Equipment for foster homes – remains the responsibility of the placing agency – refer to Aiming High
 - Equipment for use within schools
 - Equipment for service users moving out of county
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What is **not** provided by ICES?

- Equipment available in high street outlets e.g. dressing aids, kettle tippers, room to room alarms etc – **retail, direct payment for Social Care**
 - All clothing e.g. baby clothes, bibs etc – **retail**
 - Standard beds and bed associated products, available in the high street e.g. orthopaedic, children's – **retail**
 - Wheelchairs including cushions, to meet a substantive mobility need – **refer to Wheelchair Service**
 - Continence products including bed protection – **refer to Continence Service or retail**
 - Orthotics e.g. splints and braces – **refer to trust arrangements for provision**
 - Safety equipment e.g. helmets, reins, car seats – **seek guidance from your manager**
 - Postural management e.g. sleep systems – **being considered by Commissioners**
 - Specialist physiotherapy treatment aids e.g. gait trainers and standing frames – **being considered by Commissioners**
 - Communication Aids – **being considered by Commissioners**
 - Oxygen equipment and all associated products – **refer to trust arrangements**
 - Telecare including stand alone monitors – **refer to Telecare Lead for advice**
 - Treatment aids e.g. therapy benches, gym and exercise equipment - **seek local guidance or retail**
 - Products available on **FP10** e.g. non-spill adaptors
 - EAT (Electronic Assistive Technology e.g. laptops, mobile arm supports, neater eaters – **seek alternative funding options from employing agency**
 - Disposables e.g. feeding, suction – **refer to trust arrangements for provision**
 - Specialist respiratory e.g. acapella, flutter valves, tracheotomy disposables – **refer to trust arrangements**
 - Major adaptations e.g. stair lifts, stair climbers – **seek guidance for Social Care**
 - Vac machines – **refer to trust for guidance**
 - Syringe Drivers – **refer to trust for guidance**
 - Type talkers – **refer to Sensory Service Manager for guidance**
 - Safe space – **refer to Service Manager for guidance on funding options**
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